Contracting Agency: King County

Randy Revelle, King County Executive

King County Department of Public Works

Donald J. LaBelle, Director

Paul C. Hooper, P.E., County Road Engineer

Rex Knight, Engineering Services Manager

Jerry Adair, Construction Engineer

John Bordon, Bridge Engineer

* Carl Beckett, Project Engineer

Duaine Iverson, Field Coordinator

Phil Peters, Inspector

City of Tukwila

Don A. Morrison, City Administrator

Byron Sneva, P.E., Public Works Director

Ross Ernst, P.E., City Engineer

Construction Contract: $647,000

Contractor

Kiewit Construction Company

Jim Claypool, Area Manager

Roger Young, Project Manager

Dave Zemke, Project Engineer

Bob Hoglund, Project Superintendent

Design

TAMS Engineering Company

Don Northey, Project Engineer

*Contact Carl Beckett at 344-2575 for construction related questions.

Groundbreaking Ceremony

Foster Bridge
crossing
The Duwamish River
at
52nd Avenue South

The Foster Community

2:30 p.m.
March 29, 1985

King County
and
City of Tukwila
State of Washington

Foster Bridge
Background

In 1923 a wooden footbridge crossed the Duwamish River connecting the Foster Peninsula with Foster Avenue at Tukwila. That bridge was replaced by a 176 foot wood Howe truss bridge in 1939. Cost of construction in 1939 was $15,865.

After serving the residents and businesses for 41 years the old timbers failed and collapsed May 8, 1980 under the weight of a semi-trailor and tractor.

Community leaders, the City of Tukwila and King County developed a funding package to replace the bridge and continue service to the Foster peninsula. The new bridge cost estimate is $1,446,395. This is shared 80 percent from federal bridge replacement funds, and 10 percent equally from Tukwila and King County.

Project Description

The bridge will be a concrete box girder construction 34 feet wide (28 foot roadway, 6 foot sidewalk) and 244 feet long. It will be shifted slightly in order to improve the west approach to the intersection with Interurban Avenue South at 52nd Avenue South. Approach roadways will be two 12-foot through lanes paved with asphalt concrete. Curbs, gutters, and sidewalks will be constructed on the west side of 56th Avenue South. A 4-foot wide paved shoulder will be constructed on the east of 56th Avenue South. Signing and striping will be by county forces.

Funding Sources

City of Tukwila
Federal Bridge Replacement Funds
Housing & Urban Development Grant
King County Road Funds

Social

Courtesy of Foster Municipal Golf Course

*** Social ***
2:00 p.m.
Foster Golf Course

*** Program ***
2:30 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies

Donald J. LaBelle, Director
King County Department of Public Works

Remarks

Edgar D. Bauch, President
Tukwila City Council

R. R. 'Bob' Greive, Councilman
King County, District #7

Gary L. VanDusen, Mayor
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Bill Reams
Lois North
Ruby Chow
Bruce Laing
Paul Barden
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Gary Grant